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Note

Three Sphecid Wasps Previously Unrecorded from Tahiti (Hymenoptera: Sphecidae)

The following records are based on a small collection of insects made on the island of Tahiti in the Society Islands in December of 1976 by Gary Hevel of the Smithsonian Institution. Three species representing two genera of the larrine tribe Trypoxylini were taken by Mr. Hevel. All of the species are new records for Tahiti and one is of particular interest because it is a Neotropical wasp. All material is in the U.S. National Museum.

Trypoxylon (Trypargilum) nitidum Smith is a common Neotropical species which apparently has become established on Tahiti fairly recently. Hevel obtained one female at Vaimahuta Falls on the Vapuu River. This is the only species of Trypoxylon known on Tahiti and it represents the first Old World record for a member of the endemic Neotropical subgenus Trypargilum.

Three species of the genus *Pison* have been reported from Tahiti: *tahitense* Saussure, *impunctatum* Turner, and *ignavum* Turner (Cheesman, 1928. Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (10)1:169–194). Cheesman also recorded two other species from the Society Islands: *iridipenne* Smith (Bora Bora) and *hospes* Smith (Raiatea). Two species of *Pison* are represented in Hevel's material, *iridipenne* and *insulare* Smith, which brings the total number of species of this genus known from Tahiti to five. *Pison insulare* was previously known from New Hebrides and Hawaii. All of Hevel's *Pison* were collected between Lake Vaihiria and Otiaroa road, and all specimens are females.

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